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SUBJECT: CANADIAN CANDIDATE FOR NATO ASSISTANT
SECRETARY GENERAL FOR SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS, TO
SUCCEED RANDERS.

OTTAWA FOR SCIATT.

1. DR. W. D. BENNETT, CANADIAN SCIENTIFIC COUNSELOR,
DELIVERED A LETTER ADDRESSED TO MR. HERMAN POLLACK,
DIRECTOR OF BUREAU OF INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC AND
TECHNOLOGICAL AFFAIRS REQUESTING FULL SUPPORT OF THE
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USG FOR CANADIAN ASG CANDIDATE DR. F. K. HARE.

2. SCI STAFF MEMBERS NOTED PRIMARY US GOVT. INTEREST IN MAINTAINING STRONG NATO SCIENCE AND CCMS PROGRAMS. ACKNOWLEDGED ON BASIS HARE' S BIODATA AND EXPERIENCE HIS OUTSTANDING QUALIFICATIONS. TOLD BENNETT THAT TURKISH CANDIDACY HAD ALSO BEEN SUBMITTED AND THERE WAS THE POSSIBILITY OF AN ITALIAN CANDIDATE. WHILE NOTING THAT ULTIMATE SELECTION WOULD BE MADE BY SYG LUNS WE LEFT OPEN THE POSSIBILITY OF US SUPPORT FOR CANADIAN CANDIDATE AFTER ALL NOMINATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE USNATO ADVICE WHEN NOMINATIONS WILL BE CLOSED SO THAT WE WILL BE IN POSITION TO SUPPORT

BEST QUALIFIED CANDIDATE. HOPE TO BE ABLE TO DO SO INFORMALLY BY TIME OF APRIL 10 CCMS MEETING IN OTTAWA WHICH LUNS WILL ATTEND. ROGERS

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